

**IL HIE Medicaid Work Group
Meeting Notes
May 19, 2014**

Attendees (by phone):

Mary Baksys	Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS)
Dave Barnes	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Janet Baxter	Alliance of Chicago
Julie Bonello	Access Community Health Network
Pat Borrowdale	Pediatric Health Associates
Connie Christen	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Cathy Compratt	University of Chicago Medicine
Julie Glen	Loyola University Medical Center
Donna Hart	Cook County Hospital and Hospitals System
Peter Ingram	Sinai Health System
Vince Keenan	Illinois Academy of Family Physicians
Roger King	Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago
Philip McCann	Illinois Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center (IL-HITREC)
Jeff Todd	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Theresa Walunas	Chicago Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center (CHITREC)
Eva Winckler	Chicago Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center

1) Review of Minutes

The work group approved the May 5th meeting minutes.

2) Electronic Health Record Medicaid Incentive Payment Program (eMIPP) Status Update

- **Payments to Date**
- **Processing Queue Statistics**
- **2013/2014 Attestations**

Dave Barnes reported that 1,015 Eligible Professionals (EPs) were paid since the last work group call. One Eligible Hospital (EH) was also paid. Two EPs were paid for 2014. There are 14 EPs and no EHs in the 2014 work queue. **Mary Baksys** discussed possible changes to the statistical reports that Dave produces.

Emails were sent to providers who attested for 2013 but did not attest for 2014 to find out if they need assistance. **Dave** asked the group to please let him know if any of the measures have

delayed their 2014 attestations. **Julie Glen** said that she is having the most problems with the transitions of care measure that includes additional requirements necessary for sensitive data for the State of Illinois. Only four EHs have attested across the nation. **Roger King** said that his hospital won't qualify for transitions of care because it has to come from the primary care providers and they are struggling to meet the measure. **Jeff Todd** commented that it's possible that the feds will postpone the implementation.

3) Regional Extension Centers (RECs) Outreach and Education Reports

Theresa Walunas said that CHITREC was concerned how Meaningful Use attestations would look like this year. A survey was sent out to find out if people understood that they would have to get software upgrades this year and were asked how many of them would be able to do that. **Eva Winckler** reviewed the survey results saying that 74 responses were received. The survey was distributed to about 1,000 CHITREC contacts and a list from HFS. Most providers did know about the upgrade. Many of them said that they had not upgraded yet but would be doing so in the next 3-6 months. A survey for community health centers is being developed to find out about any challenges and needs they have for attesting to Meaningful Use. **Philip McCann** said that IL-HITREC has been focusing on communicating the necessity for people to evaluate their need for a hardship exception. IL-HITREC wanted everyone to know that they should seriously be considering that, especially if they have not heard yet from their vendor about the upgrade.

Meeting adjourned. The next call is scheduled on June 2nd.